

**AMENDMENT TO THE SPECIFICATION**

Please amend paragraph [0033] as follows:

[0033] Thus, an improved method of this invention for generating gas in and foaming an aqueous drilling fluid, an aqueous spacer fluid or other similar aqueous well fluid pumped into a subterranean zone penetrated by a well bore is comprised of the steps of: combining with the aqueous well fluid one or more gas generating chemicals, a mixture of foaming and foam stabilizing surfactants and when needed, an activator for the one or more gas generating chemicals selected from the group consisting of a base or buffer for increasing the pH of the well fluid to in the alkaline range of from about 10 to about ~~[[24]]~~ 14 and an oxidizing agent so that the gas generating chemicals react with the alkaline well fluid or the oxidizing agent and gas and foam are formed in the well fluid while it is being pumped; and pumping the aqueous well fluid into the well bore and the subterranean zone.